newed in the afternoon, but the Greeks, sheltered by their trenches, easily

#### Greeks Show Great Endurance.

Since the outbreak of the war on Sunday the defenders have never once quitted their posts. They have remained in the trenches in a state of almost ceaseless alertress. Food is brought to them at regular intervals, the rations consisting of beans fried in olive oil, ship's biscult and fairly good bread. Wine is scarce and dear, and their drink is water from the Arta River. Many of the troops have never been called upon to fire a shot, though exposed to the pounding of the Ottoman guns from the opposite hills, and the passive state in which they have remained so far is a greater strain upon their nerves than facing the enemy's fire in the open.

Picket firing goes on incessantly. At the advanced posts two soldiers, who were conversing together at what they considered a safe distance from the Turkish rifle fire, were shot through the face and neck by the same bullet, one being seriously wounded.

#### Invasion of the Epitus,

The enthusiasm of our troops shows no diminution. The invasion of thwestern Epirus is still proceeding concurrently with the advance of the e under Colenel Manos on Yanina, in the northern part of the province crossing of the River Arta took place near Komena, some three miles the Ambracian Gulf, into which the stream empties. At this point arta is rapid and deep, with a breadth of more than 100 feet.

the Greek force, consisting of 4,000 bayonets and a company of cavalry and a battery of field guns, was confronted by a Turkish detachment, and for some time a fierce rifle fire resounded along the banks. Eventually the enemy were shelled out of their position, and under cover of their artillery the Greeks set to work constructing the bridge. Barrels of capacious size were placed together longitudinally and connected by planks nailed across them. The first row was placed in the stream parallel with the banks and close to the shore, to which they were fastened by stout ropes. Other rows were added till the river was spanned, and the bridge was completed by a footway of planking.

#### Crossing Into the Enemy's Gountry.

is ingenious expedient served its purpose excellently. The infantry filed coss the bridge and met with no signs of the enemy till half a mile from the river bank, when they came under the fire of the Turks, who were intrenched in the open plain. The enemy were dislodged after a sharp combat, and pursued for nearly a mile. They made another stand in a small village, but the Greeks were not to be checked, and stormed the position in gallant style.

Numbers of the Turks were found dead in the trench, and in several cases bullets had passed completely through the body.

The advance still continues, and another Greek force, which crossed the river at the same point, is marching up the western bank toward the Turkish position before, Arta.

#### May Grush Turkish Power,

When they arrive there an attack will probably be made in conjunction with a sortle from the garrison, and as many of the inhabitants on the Turkish side of the river are Greeks, the engagement may result in the crushing of Turkish power in Epirus.

Stories of Mussulman atrocities have reached me here. The following was related to me by an officer, who stated that he was an eyewitness in the Turksh attack on the Greek position: West of Arta several Christian women who had been captured by the enemy were marched in front of their lines in the hope that their countrymen would refrain from returning the hostile fire, for fear of wounding them. The Greeks, on the contrary, are honorably distin-

uishing themselves by treating the Turkish wounded in the same manner as their own mer. I have spoken to prisoners in the Greek military hospitals, who have expressed their amazement at being cared for instead of being shot, which they expected would be their fate when they were taken to the rear.

#### TURKS BACK FORCING

# Under Crown Prince Constantine the Greek Forces Are Driving Them to Melouna Pass.

#### By Langdon Perry.

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THENS, April 23 .- A dispatch from Larissa received this afternoon states that the Turkish army is being forced back in the direction of Melouna Pass. The Greeks are slowly and doggedly following up their advantage, still led by Crown Prince Constantine and Prince

The plains beyond Turnova are strewn with dead and wounded from the desperate fighting about Mati and Kritiri, which is still raging with unabated

A message stating that Edhem Pashs had been recalled to Constantinople and was to be succeeded by Osman Pasha, came to Athens by way of London to-day. It was halled with the wildest delight, as being an indication of the collapse of the Turkish plan of battle and a confession of weakness.

#### Turks Ghecked at Nezeros.

The sudden rise in the river in front of Larissa is said to be a myth, as the Turkish troops have not sighted it.

Fractically the only reverse sustained by the Greek army during the past principal town on the shore. we days is that at Nezeros, where the Turks have succeeded in gaining a foothold at the Thessalfan end of the pass. Here, however, they have been effectually checked by a flerce artillery fire, and a message to the War Minister from Prince Constantine says that he apprehends no trouble in that quarter.

At the council of war in the palace to-day it was pointed out that chief and, ir fact, the only, present danger to the Greek cause lied in the success of the Turkish army before Larissa. All the reinforcements that can be spared are being hurried forward to this spot to relieve the terribly overworked soldiers who have borne the brunt of the great battles of the past week.

#### Greek Success in Turkish Territory.

No particular anxiety is felt here for the western end of the frontier line, or and the hospitals at Salonica are overflowing with wounded. for the Grecian army now operating in Turkish territory through Revent Pass. Confirmation of the fall of the Turkish town of Damasi has been received, and of the Greek attack on the strongly fortified town of Viglia.

This is within a few miles of the line of supplies of the Turkish army, which so far has been broken at Platamona and Katerina. It is thought probable The that these diversions in his rear have had much to do with the collapse of Sultan, It Is Rumored, Will Reject Her Demands. Ednem Pasha's plans, and with his recall.

A dispatch from Larissa states that all telegraphic communication with the interior of Turkey has been cut off by command of the Sultan, and that, in unsequence of this, the people of the interior know nothing of the reverses of the Turkish army beyond the news as it spreads from mouth to mouth.

#### Christians Rising in Epirus.

It is evident here, however, that Bulgaria is being constantly apprised of the true condition of affairs, as cipher dispatches are being continually rewived at the palace from Bucharest and Sofia.

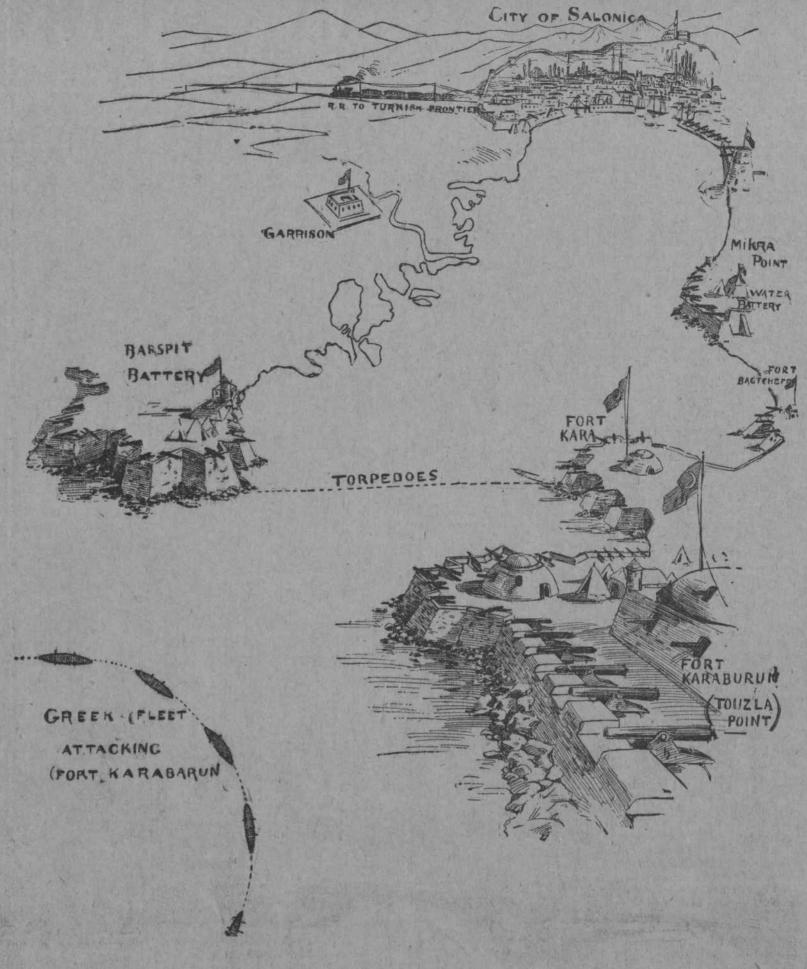
From the Greek army now operating beyond Arta, in the Turkish province of Fpirus, word has been received that the Christians are rising against the Turks in all quarters, and that many of both creeds have been killed around

that if the Greeks succeed in holding their own or in advancing into Turkish erritory for a week or more, both Bulgaria and servia will be drawn into the ight through sheer sympathy with the Christians. The inhabitants of Lakka and Samarina, in Epirus, have already risen against the Turks.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and the attaches of the palace generally

re greatly encouraged over the news from the fleet recived to-day.

From Katerina the ships proceeded to the Gulf of Salonica, and at present



## Greek Fleet Bombards Salonica Defences.

HE Greek fleet is before Salonica and is bombarding Fort Karaburun. This fort is only ten miles below the city and is the first fortification met with on approaching Salonica Bay. So near is it to the city that the sound of every shot from the heavy guns of the first can be heard in the streets of Salonica. Fort Karaburun stands on the high ground of Touzia Point and is one of the strongest of the fortified posts guarding the entrance to Salonica. Salonica is a place capable of making a strong resistance. Fort Karaburun and the batteries at Cape Kara and those on the Bar Spit are strong positions and are provided with modern guns. All three of these positions must be reduced before the entrance to Salonica Bay is open. Even after forcing an entrance the work of fighting is not finished, for there, ready to confront the war ships, will be the water batteries at Battery Bagtchef, Mikra Point, and those on the sea wall lying to the right and left of the city.

The Greeks are not leaving any fortified positions in their rear. The modern plan of reducing a shore work is to steam in a circle formation, and it can be relied upon that the Greek squadron is fighting before Fort Karaburun in this order. The fort being a stationary object, the guns on board ship, even though the vessels be moving, can be trained with comparative ease. On the other hand, the gunners in the fort are seriously handleapped by having moving targets to fire at. This difficulty is further enhanced by the smoke and dust before the batteries. On the water the currents of air caused by the moving vessels sweep away much of the smoke in the immediate front of the guns.

east of Salonica. Their success in this direction will mean the entire cutting off summarily recalled. of the Turkish base of supplies and an enforced retreat of the Moslem army or erating around Melouna Pass.

Miaulis, and three gunboats-have been ordered north from Corfu for the pur- already left for the front. pose of bombarding the Albanian coast towns as far as Avalona, which is the

#### Bombardment Keeps Turks Quiet.

The War Minister here does not seem to be satisfied with this disposition of the fleet, as he is of the opinion that it can do no better service in the waters about Salonica. He gave way, however, to the pressure of contrary opinion and the bombardments were ordered.

The bombardment of Katerina appears to have achieved the desired effect, ice to-day the Turkish troops were quiet.

Greek battalions are being rapidly formed and sent to the frontier. The

rale of the troops is much improved. It is asserted that the Turks have suffered more heavily than the Greeks,

The invading force in Epirus still encounters no opposition.

# REFUSAL FOR BULGARIA.

Osman Pasha to Lead the Turkish Troops in Edhem Pasha's Place.

#### By Julian Raiph.

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ONSTANTINOPLE, April 23,-There is a rumor to-night that the Sultan will refuse the demands of Bulgaria for five additional the Greeks have a strong force of artillery, however, it seems to be almost a where he has been in consultation with berats, or bishoprics. Such a refusal will surely result in a war with

It is asserted, however, that the Sultan would never have refused such a request from Bulgaria, unsupported by some power, in the face of re-This indicates that outside influences are at work, and it is even asserted cent reverses on the Greek frontier.

#### Roumania Prepares for War.

The Roumanian Government is preparing for war by announcing the issue of bills to the amount of 8,670,000 francs for an extraordinary war credit. The Turkish army is encountering such desperate resistance on the frontier

that military experts here declare that the war is likely to be prolonged, far more than was expected at the commencement of hostilities.

The failur of Edhem Pashs to capture Larises, after the fall of Melouna force the Turkish troops now operating sons. Edhem Pashs has been recalled.

they are bombarding the forts along the shores ten or fifteen miles south and Pass, has greatly angered the Sultan, and to-day the Turkish commander was and merchandise on the quays have been

#### Osman Pasha Is Ghosen.

Osman Pasha, who held Plevna for 160 days against Russian assaults in These of the Greek ships still on the western coast-namely, the Admiral 1877, has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Turkish army. He has

> As Osman Pasha drove along the streets in his gilttering uniform to-day the of Turks and the inhabitants of that old Pasha was loudly cheered. The Turks seem to have full confidence in the place, the Greek fleet lauded a detachment veteran soldier'r ability to bring the war to a close in a few days.

#### Guarded Against Palace Intrigues.

Before leaving. Osman Pasha was assured that he would not be hampered tected, owing to the belief of the Turks by palace intrigues, and that he would be allowed full swing in the conduct that a blockade of Greece by the fleets of the powers would prevent the Greek fleet of the war. In this respect his experience in mountain warfare will stand him from attacking the Turkish towns on the

France has agreed to protect the subjects of Greece in Turkey.

#### GREEKS GLOSING IN ON YANINA. By Sidney Roberts Burleigh.

RTA, April 23 .- The left wing of the Grecian army is slowly ad- ish Commander-in-Chief heard the news of vancing in the direction of Yanina, and it is believed that the advance the capture of Platamona and Katrina, he guard will reach that strongly fortified town by Saturday, unless over- dispatched 10,000 men toward the contaken by unexpected resistance.

It became evident at an early hour this morning that the Turks were in It became evident at an early hour this morning that the Turks were in The Greek fleet, in returning from the fear that their rear would be cut off and that the Greeks would attack them capture of Katrina, bombarded the port of on the flank, as they have retreated toward Yanani

It seems to be evident, as nearly as I can judge from the trend of events, that the Turks will make a desperate stand at the strongly fortified position of Sull, some twenty miles ahead. Everything points to a desperate battle within Salisbury to Have an interview with the next twenty-four hours. This wing of the Greek army is greatly in need of rest, and the officers are doing all in their power to conserve the strength of the men. Dispatches are continually coming and going between this point and the main army before Melouna, and the latest advices indicate that the Greeks (Copyright, 1897, by W. R. Henrst.) are holding their own.

The inhabitants throughout the country invaded by the Greek troops hall is understood here, will have an interview them, not as conquerors, but as liberators.

In a conversation with Colonel Manos to-day I learn that the Turks are at Paris. assembled in some force beyond Phillippiada, and that a fight is expected. As The English Premier will leave Cimics,

There is a rumor in the army to-day that whole companies of Albanians are stop in Paris on his way home. leserting the Turkish army of Epirus.

Near Larissa.

certainty that they will rout the Moslems,

Ordered to Join the Army

Constantinople, April 23 .- In conse-

MORE TURKS NEEDED. near Larissa. The reinforcements consist of the Kenlah Brigade, from Cesaerea; a division from Smyrna belonging to the Reserves to the Number of 50,400 Third Army Corps, three brigades from the Fourth Army Corps and a division of the Fifth Army Corps. These men will make seventy-two additional battallons of troops and will number in all 50,400.

It is now definitely announced that quence of the unexpected resistance of the Osman Pasha, the hero of Pievna, has been Greeks an additional force of Rediffs, or appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Turkarmy reserves, has been called out to rein- ish army, having its headquarters at Elas- Hable to be called upon for military ser-

In addition, Saad Edin Pasha has been appointed to command the Turkish army having its headquarters at Yauina, replacing Ahmed Hifzi Pasha, who is also recalled. The new Turkish commanders started for their posts this evening,

It is stated that Izzet Bey will be replaced by Arlf Bey as Second Secretary and Chamberlain of the Sultan.

A report has been received here that one of the Turkish brigades which had been pushed forward on the plain of Larissa had been unable to advance further, owing to floods caused by rains and the consequenrise of the River Salambria. Edhem Pasha has telegraphed asking for the immediate dispatch of pontoons to enable the troops to cross the river, the Greeks having blown up the bridge.

These reports have had a very depressing effect here, when taken in conjunction with the formidable resistance which the Turks have met with around Turnavo.

#### TURKS FORCED TO FLY.

The Greeks' Triumphant March to Epirus-People Welcome Theni.

Arta, April 23 .- The Turks have aban loned Kisfa and Kosnitzadeson, on the left bank of the River Arakphos. The inhabitants fled precipitately, leaving their belongings. All along the route to Fort Ima-ret (captured by the Greeks) there were evidences of the hasty flight of the Turkish iouseholds,

The Greek forces have been successful in their operations against a Turkish division

Fighting has occurred in the olive groves near Preveza, between the Turks and native Christians

The inhabitants of Lakka and Samarina have risen against the Turks, and have welcomed the Greeks with enthusiasm. The Prefect of Arta has reached Phillipplada. He was received with acclamation

by the population.

The headquarters of Colonel Manos, the Commander of the Greek forces in Epirus, are at Stina

In the villages abandoned by the Turks the Greeks found a considerable quantity

Said Edin Pasha, who has been ap pointed to command the Turkish troops at Yanina, in Epirus, is on his way for the

# POWERS ARE AGREED.

Will Interfere in the War Whenever Either Side Asks It.

Brussels, April 23 .- Le Nord to-day announces that all the powers have given their adhesion to the note of the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Count Mouravieff, assuring the Greeks and Turks of the friendly interference of the powers in the present struggle as soon as asked for by either side.

## "IRREGULARS" AT WORK.

Bridge and Tunnels on the Salonica Railway Blown Up.

(Copyright, 1897, by W. R. Hearst.) Athens, April 23.—Greek irregulars sucreded in blowing up two tunnels and the bridge on the Salonica rallway near De-

## GREEKS SHELL A TOWN.

Santi Quaranta Wiped Out by the Western Squadron-Karaburun Bombarded.

Athens, April 23 .- The Western Greek quadron is bombarding Santt Quaranta and doing great damage to the town. All the Government and private buildings of the Austrian agency. All the stores

Fifty refugees, who had embarked on ships, have been landed at Corfu.

The hospitals at Salonica are full of Turks wounded in the recent bombard ments. After the bombardment of Katrina, on the Gulf of Salonica, by the squadron, had put to flight two battalions and found the Turks had left behind then immense stores of provisions destined for the acmies of Edhem Pasha. These val-Gulf of Salonica, which are near the rai. road to Salonica, and which have been used Turkish army and forward them to the

The capture of these towns, not to mention the loss of the stores, places a serious difficulty in the path of Edhem Pasha, and t is stated here that so soon as the Turkof Macedonia, fearing a flank attack from the Gulf of Salonics

## WILL SEE HANOTAUX.

French, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

London, April 23 .- Lord Salisbury, It with Minister of Foreign Affairs Hanotaux

Queen Victoria, on Wednesday. He will

# GREECE TO USE MILITIA.

Several Classes of the Reserves to Be Immediately Called Out.

Athens, April 23 .- It has been decided o call out several classes of the militia.

In Greece all able-bodied males from twenty-one years of age and upward are

vice. The total service la for nineteen